EWS EXECUTIVE WINE SEMINARS

2007 California Cabernets

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"2007 is no doubt the greatest vintage for Bordeaux varietals in Napa since 2001 and 2002.

There is a freshness, delineation, and laser-like focus in the finest 2007s..."

Robert M. Parker, Jr. Wine Advocate, Issue 186

While wine critics have awarded huge scores to top 2007 Cabernets, the EWS team has been doing some tasting on our own and found lots of great Cabs to wholeheartedly endorse the special nature of the vintage. For this blind tasting, we have gathered 13 Cabernet-based wines from 2007 to give you a sense of what the vintage has to offer. Our selections either have a high rating on their résumé or they are favorites of EWS. If these Cabs strut their stuff, which we believe they will, you are in for a real treat!

Here's our spectacular lineup

Beau Vigne "Reserve" (94+WA)
Bialla (92WS)
Blankiet "Paradise Hills Vineyard" (96+WA, 95IWC)
Colgin "IX Estate" (100WA, 96IWC, 93WS)
Continuum (94IWC, 97WS)
Drinkward Peschon
Hundred Acre "Kayli Morgan" (98-100WA, 96IWC)
Joseph Phelps "Insignia" (97-100WA, 94IWC)
Kapcsandy Grand Vin "State Line Vineyard" (100WA, 96IWC, 94WS)
Derenoncourt 'Tache d'encre"
Maybach (99WA, 94IWC)
Ramey "Pedregal" (97+WA, 95IWC)
Schrader "George III" (97+WA)

Here are the results

- 1) 2007 Blankiet "Paradise Hills Vineyard" 54 points (10/10/4)
- 2) 2007 Joseph Phelps "Insignia" 29 points (6/3/5)
- 3) 2007 Beau Vigne "Reserve" 24 points (5/0/9)
- 4) 2007 Hundred Acre "Kayli Morgan" 23 points (5/3/2)
- 5) 2007 Maybach "Materium" 21 points (5/3/1)
- 6) 2007 Bialla 21 points (4/3/3)
- 7) 2007 Schrader "Beckstoffer George III" 19 points (1/7/2)
- 8) 2007 Ramey "Pedregal" 17 points (2/4/3)
- 9) 2007 Continuum 15 points (1/3/6)
- 10) 2007 Drinkward Peschon 6 points (1/0/3)
- 11) 2007 Colgin "IX Estate" 4 points (0/2/0)
- 12) 2007 Derenoncourt "Tache d'encre" 3 points (0/1/1)
- 13) 2007 Kapcsandy "State Line Vineyard" 3 points (0/1/1)